

01
02
03
04
05
06 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
07 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

08 JAMES H. CARNER, III,) CASE NO. C07-1646-JLR-MAT
09 Plaintiff,)
10 v.) ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S
11 DR. BEN SANDERS,) REQUEST FOR COPIES
12 Defendant.)
13 _____)

14 Plaintiff is proceeding *pro se* and *in forma pauperis* in this action pursuant to 42 U.S.C.
15 § 1983. He has filed a request for the Court to provide him with copies of certain documents.
16 (Dkt. No. 41). Having considered plaintiff's request, and the balance of the record, the Court
17 does hereby find and order as follows:

18 (1) Plaintiff's request for copies of certain documents is unclear. He does not
19 adequately explain why he needs these documents nor what happened to the originals. In addition,
20 plaintiff compounds the confusion by also requesting documents from two other cases, one of
21 which has been closed. (Dkt. No. 41). In any event, plaintiff is advised that his status as an *in*
22 *forma pauperis* litigant does not entitle him to free copies of documents filed with the Court. *See*

01 *Tedder v. Odel*, 890 F.2d 210 (9th Cir. 1989) (holding that the expenditure of public funds on
02 behalf of an indigent litigant is proper only when authorized by Congress). Therefore, plaintiff's
03 request for copies (Dkt. No. 41) is DENIED.

04 (2) The Clerk shall send a copy of this Order to plaintiff and to counsel for defendants.

05 DATED this 4th day of September, 2008.

06 
07 _____
08 Mary Alice Theiler
09 United States Magistrate Judge
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22